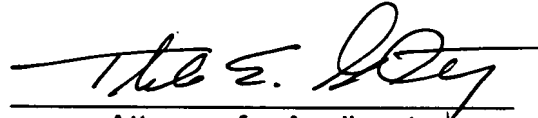


REMARKS

This is in response to the Office Action dated March 13, 2005. The amendments herein are intended to place this application in condition for allowance. Entry of this amendment is requested to expedite favorable resolution of the currently pending appeal to the Board of Appeals.

An early Notification of Allowance is earnestly solicited. If Examiner has a question or comment or if Applicants' attorney can assist in any manner whatsoever, Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned.

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